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Title: TREATMENT OF B CELL MALIGNANCIES USING COMBINATION OF B CELL

DEPLETING ANTIBODY AND IMMUNE MODULATING ANTIBODY RELATED

**APPLICATIONS** 

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION** 

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Sir:

This is in response to the official action [final rejection] dated April 8, 2003, wherein the claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C § 103(a) as well as the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting.

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